

Mayor Young Discussed Importance of DOE's Savannah's River Site to National Security and Local Community in Meeting with Secretary Abraham

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Secretary of Energy Spence Abraham met with Mayor Bob Young of Augusta Georgia last week and discussed a variety of issues important to the Department of Energy and the Augusta, Georgia and Aiken, South Carolina communities, home to the Department's Savannah River Site.

The Mayor and the Secretary discussed issues such as the role of the Savannah River Site and its importance to the economic stability of the region; development of nuclear power generation, and the Bush Administration's Hydrogen Initiative.

"The people of Augusta are fortunate to have someone of the ability of Bob Young to serve as their Mayor," said Secretary Abraham. "Mayor Young recognizes the importance of the Savannah River site to our national defense and energy security and the positive impact that Savannah River Site has on their local economy.

"I look forward to working with Mayor Young and will seek his advice on matters dealing with the Savannah River Site and its impact on the employees and their families who live and work in the Augusta / Aiken community."